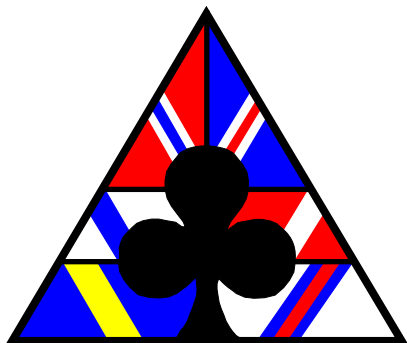




ROTTNEROS Nordic Cup



May 23–25, 2008





It is my hope and aspiration for these 12th Rottneros Cup competitions, that the level of bridge shall be high and the winner worthy. As competitors you have earned the right to participate, and that in itself carries a lot of honour. You have surpassed every other team in your home country to earn the qualification.

The winner of the Rottneros Cup will, for two years, be the Rottneros champion. A high distinction in the Nordic bridge world. Rottneros has always been a meeting place for joint efforts in a Nordic spirit. Let our game of bridge build on this tradition and increase the interaction of our countries.

Let's try to build friendship and contacts. It is my sincere hope that the competition will be fair, even when pursued by a hot will to win. May the players play, the leaders lead, the directors judge, the organizers organize. I wish you all a good time at the table, be it the playing table, the dining table, or the conference table.

You are all most welcome to Rottneros.

Pål Horn

Welcome

First of all a warm welcome to players, officials, spectators and staff at the Rottneros Nordic Cup 2008.

Nordic cooperation and the feeling of close relations is very strong within the Nordic bridge family. This cooperation has increased the recent years and within the Nordic Bridge Union several topics to promote our sport is being developed.

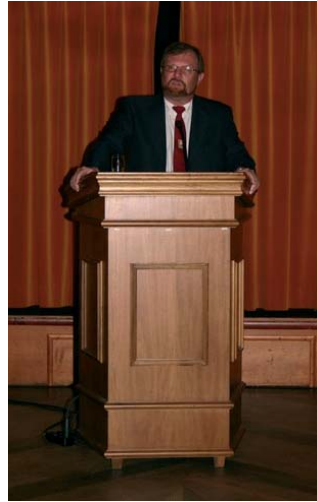
One important factor strengthening this cooperative and constructive feeling, is the Rottneros Nordic Cup. Every second year since 1985 Pål Horn - despite living in Memphis, USA - has invited players from the Nordic countries to a 3-days tournament in Hallen in the Rottneros Park. This event is based on strong feelings for the game and the future of the Nordic bridge family.

Every time there are several strong teams in the line up, and the players love the idea of this tournament and their stay. The competition is tough and the will to win is high, but contrary to many other international tournaments the Rottneros Nordic Cup is played in a very friendly atmosphere. I am sure this will continue - also for the pleasure of our host.

The Nordic idea behind Rottneros Park will not be symbolic only, as the leaders of the Nordic bridge federations gather in the Nordic Bridge Union meetings during the tournament to discuss and treat common challenges and projects to the best of the game and the bridge players in all the Nordic countries.

Our sport does not have lots of sponsors and the Nordic Bridge Union is very grateful for the invitation to these days of competition and social experience. The framework and the atmosphere is there - I am sure the participants will fulfil the success.

Enjoy your bridgetime at Rottneros!



*Helge Stanghellé
NBU*

Players



Sweden (Storsjöbygdens lag Strategen)

Leif Trapp (PC), Gunnar Elmroth, Olle Axne, Leif Ruthström, Bengt-Göran Olofsson, Rob Walker.



Norway (Nord-Trøndelag)

Ragnar Davidsen (PC), Frode Nybo, Petter Tøndel, Espen Lindqvist, Jørn Arild Ringseth, Per Arne Flått.



Denmark (Team PharmaService)

Poul Clemmensen (PC), H. C. Graversen, Henrik Caspersen, Niels Krøjgaard.



Faroe Islands

Bogi Simonsen (PC), Arne Mikkelsen, Eyðun Anthoniussen, Robert Lanngaard.



Finland

Lasse Utter, Jorma Valta, Osmo Kiema, Kauko Koistinen, Kaj Backas (NPC).



Iceland

Bjarni H. Einarsson (PC), Steinar Jónsson, Aðalsteinn Jörgensen, Sverrir Ármannsson.

Tournament rules

1. The higher ranking team after a Round Robin with matches of 28 boards (2x14 boards) is the winner of the Rottneros Nordic Cup and the Rottneros Trophy. The best three teams will be rewarded with NBU-medals.
2. A tie between two teams will be broken in accordance with the result of the match between those two teams. Where that match has resulted in a tie in VP's, any difference in IMP's will decide. Where there is no difference in IMP's scored, the tie will be broken by total points scored in that match. If there should still be a tie, then the IMP quotient of all matches will be taken into consideration to break the tie.
3. The deals are pre-dealt by computer.
4. The winning team of each match (at least 19–11 in VP's) is awarded by 8 master points. In a tie (18–12, 17–13, 16–14, 15–15) the teams are awarded 4 points each.
5. English is the official language of the tournament and whenever a player has looked at his hand, all players are expected to converse in this language only.
6. Each pair brings with them two sets of their own system card to the table and presents these to their opponents at the start of each round.
7. The alert procedure is only used on the 1, 2 and 3 level.
8. North-South at each table is responsible for reporting the board result with BridgeMate after each board is completed. When North-South has typed in the result, East-West accept/corrects this.
9. North-South at each table is responsible for delivering the official score sheet to the TD, signed by one opponent after the match.
10. Other tournament rules may be decided by the Tournament Committee at the Captains meeting.

Previous results

1985: Sweden (Björn Bäckström, Jan Olofsson, Anders Wirgren, Mats Nilslund, Jörgen Lindqvist)
After a Round Robin Sweden won 142–85 over Denmark in the final.

1987: Sweden (Björn Bäckström, Jan Olofsson, Anders Wirgren, Mats Nilslund, Peter Andersson)
1. Sverige 111, 2. Norge 93, 3. Island 90, 4. Danmark 62, 5. Finland 58, 6. Færøerne 31.

1989: Denmark (Thorvald Aagaard, Niels og Mads Krøjgaard, Nils Mønsted)
1. Danmark 104, 2. Sverige 93½, 3. Island 77½, 4. Norge 71, 5. Finland 56, 6. Færøerne 37.

1991: Denmark (Stig Werdelin, Steen Møller, Dennis Koch-Palmund, Jens Auken, Lars Blakset, Jørn Lund)
1. Danmark 106, 2. Norge 85, 3. Sverige 84, 4. Finland 81, 5. Island 58, 6. Færøerne 25.

1993: Denmark (Jens Auken, Dannis Koch-Palmund, Steen Møller, Stig Werdelin, Lars Blakset, Knud Blakset)
1. Danmark 84½, 2. Finland 78½, 3. Norge 53, 4. Sverige 49, 5. Færøerne 32.

1995: Norway (Tor Helness, Per Løve, Ivar Uggerud, Jon Aabye, Jan P. Sissener).
1. Norge 86, 2. Danmark 81, 3. Island 80, 4. Sverige 80, 5. Finland 73, 6. Færøerne 48.

1997: Iceland (Sigurður Sverrisson, Sævar Þorbjörnsson, Sverrir Ármannsson, Þorlákur Jónsson).
1. Island 101, 2. Danmark 91, 3. Norge 88, 4. Finland 71, 5. Sverige 61, 6. Færøerne 31.

1999: Norway (Runar Lillevik, Jan Mikkelsen, Øyvind Ludvigsen, Jon-Erik Furunes).
1. Norge 101, 2. Island 84, 3. Sverige 78, 4. Danmark 75, 5. Finland 66, 6. Færøerne 45.

2001: Iceland (Jón Baldursson, Karl Sigurhjartarson, Sverrir Ármannsson, Magnús Magnússon).
1. Island 95, 2. Norge 86, 3. Sverige 82, 4. Danmark 77, 5. Finland 64, 6. Færøerne 42.

2003: Denmark (Lars Blakset, Mathias Bruun, Nicolai Kampmann, Jens Auken).
1. Danmark 108, 2. Island 90, 3. Sverige 81, 4. Norge 69, 5. Finland 52, 6. Færøerne 38.

2006: Finland (Lasse Utter, Jorma Valta, Osmo Kiema, Juoni Juurioja).
1. Finland 90, 2. Danmark 89, 3. Sverige 81, 4. Norge 70, 5. Island 67, 6. Færøerne 50.

Rottneros Park



1. Entré, handikapptoilet, souvenirbutik, kiosk, café och fruktträdgård med kaktusutställning och traktorbana
2. Örta- och köksträdgård med kryddbad
3. Rottneroshallen, Grateplatsen
4. Dianaparken
5. Engelbrektsparken
6. Bågspännaren
7. Millesfontänen / Christian Erikssonparken
8. Blomstergården
9. Hösten
10. Parksjön
11. Montgomerymonumentet
12. Nils Holgersson och gässen
13. Kavaljersflyglarna
14. Spegeldammen
15. Rottneros Herrgård
16. Liggande Faun
17. Pähls minnessten
18. Nike och Rosengården
19. Carl Eldhparterren, Café och Skulpturgården
20. Ekparken
21. Arboretum
22. Kungens Trädgård
23. Vigelandsplatsen
24. Rottneros station
25. Karpdammen

26. Strandparken och Diktens tempel
27. Moder jord
28. Selma Lagerlöfsparken
- A. Minizoo och Tropikhus
- B. Klätterskogen
- C. Spöket Labans och Lilla Annas park
- D. Nils Holgerssons Äventyrspark
- E. BerättarLadan med Teater och MC-utställning
- F. Friluftsbad och sköna matsäcksplatser

Program

Friday:

15.00 Welcome, Hallen
15.30–17.15 1. match, 1. half
17.30–19.15 1. match, 2. half
19.30–20.30 Dinner, Hallen
20.30–22.15 2. match, 1. half
22.30–00.15 2. match, 2. half
00.15 Night Supper, Hallen

Saturday:

Breakfast Selma Lagerlöf
10.00–11.45 3. match, 1. half
12.00–13.45 3. match, 2. half
14.00–15.00 Lunch, Hallen
Sightseeing
15.30–17.15 4. match, 1. half
17.30–19.15 4. match, 2. half
19.30–21.15 5. match, 1. half
21.30 Dinner, Hallen

Sunday:

Breakfast Selma Lagerlöf
09.00–10.45 5. match, 2. half
10.45 Price Giving / Farewell

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Results

Table	Round 1	1st half	Total	VP
1	Iceland – Sweden	–	–	
2	Finland – Norway	–	–	
3	Faroës – Denmark	–	–	

Table	Round 2	1st half	Total	VP
1	Denmark – Iceland	–	–	
2	Sweden – Finland	–	–	
3	Norway – Faroës	–	–	

Table	Round 3	1st half	Total	VP
1	Iceland – Norway	–	–	
2	Finland – Faroës	–	–	
3	Sweden – Denmark	–	–	

Table	Round 4	1st half	Total	VP
1	Finland – Iceland	–	–	
2	Denmark – Norway	–	–	
3	Faroës – Sweden	–	–	

Table	Round 5	1st half	Total	VP
1	Iceland – Faroës	–	–	
2	Norway – Sweden	–	–	
3	Denmark – Finland	–	–	

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1	Sweden										
2	Norway										
3	Denmark										
4	Faroës										
5	Finland										
6	Iceland										